



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HOSHI, George et al.**

Group Art Unit: 3753

Serial No.: 09/893,522

Examiner: **FOX, John C.**

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For: **FLUID CONTROL DEVICE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 3753**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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August 14, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2006, extended to August 14, 2006 by a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, entry of the following amendments and remarks, further examination, and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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